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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1883. [296]

Insurances.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000.00
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000.00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 290,553.95

TOTAL CAPITAL and
ACCUMULATIONS, 8th
May, 1882.....Tls. 940,553.95

DIRECTORS.

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Subject to a charge of 12 per cent. for Interest
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tributed among all Contributors of Business (whether
Shareholders or not) in proportion to the
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1883. [83]

THE Underigned have been appointed
AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD
OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

RECORD OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN
SHIPPING.

Agents,
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [457]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

(CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000)

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [106]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000, EQUAL.....\$33,333.33
RESERVE FUND.....\$70,452.27

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at
CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1882. [601]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr.
HENRY LISTON DALRYMPLE and
Mr. JOHN GORDON TALBOT HASSELL in
our firm has ceased and it is closed in Hong-
kong from this date. Mr. DALRYMPLE being
Authorized to Sign "in Liquidation in
Hongkong"

1st March, 1883.

BIRLEY & Co.

MR. KENNETH DOUGLAS ADAMS and
Mr. JAMES LYON PLAYFAIR SAN-
DERSON are this day admitted PARTNERS
in our firm at Canton and Foochow.

1st March, 1883.

BIRLEY & Co.

MR. HENRY LISTON DALRYMPLE
Acts as Correspondent of Messrs. BIRLEY
& Co. here and has commenced Business under
the style of

BIRLEY, DALRYMPLE & Co.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [149]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
VALUABLE PROPERTY
IN QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

THE Underigned has received instructions
to Sell by Public Auction, on
WEDNESDAY,
the 14th day of March, 1883, at 3 P.M.,
on the Premises—

Lot 1.—The HOUSES Nos. 38 and 40, in
Queen's Road Central and Stanley Street,
(at present occupied by Messrs. GAUPP &
Co. and Messrs. Mody & Co.) measuring
6,167 square feet. Yearly Crown Rent
\$22.11.11.

Lot 2.—The HOUSES Nos. 42 and 44, (occupied
by Messrs. MARTY ULLMANN, and Messrs.
RAYNAL & Co.) in Queen's Road and
Stanley Street, measuring 4,871 square feet.
Yearly Crown Rent \$17.16.14. Registered in
the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 6.
For Particulars and Conditions of Sale,
Apply to

J. M. GUEDES,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [167]

Intimations.

WANTED.

A SITUATION as CLERK, BOOK-
KEEPER, or GENERAL ASSISTANT,
by a young man who has had ten years experience
in China and Japan. Speaks French, English,
German, Italian and Japanese. Moderate Salary
required. First-class references.

Apply to

B. C. A.,
care of Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1883. [139]

INTIMATION.

SIGNOR GIUSEPPE PENATI, certificated
Professor of Music of the REGGIO CON-
SERVATORIO DI MILANO, and Resident in
Hongkong for over 7 years, gives lessons in
Music, Piano, Harmony and Singing.

Signor PENATI is open for engagements as
Pianist at Private Dancing Parties.

CHARGES STRICTLY MODERATE.

Address—No. 8, PEEL STREET.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1883. [185]

INTIMATION.

SIGNOR ANTONIO CATTANEO, of the
CONSERVATOIRE DE BERGAMO and late of
the ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY has
the honor to inform the community that he has
arranged to remain in Hongkong, and will give
lessons in Music, Singing and the Pianoforte.

CHARGES STRICTLY MODERATE.

Address—Messrs. KELLY & WALSH,
Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [168]

MR. MOORE has recommended his
GOGO SHAMPOO WASH

to the public as unrivalled by any prepara-

tion ever produced for promoting the growth
of the hair. The basis of this compound is
made of soap root; the natives of the Philip-

pine Islands never use anything else for
washing their hair; they are never found bald,
and it is quite common to see the females with
hair from 5 to 6 feet long. By constantly using
this Shampoo Wash as directed, you will

NEVER BE BALD.

The proprietor offers the Wash to the public
entirely confident that by its restorative
properties it will without fail arrest decaying
hair. It completely eradicates scurf, dandruff,
and cures all diseases of the scalp. It does not
contain any poisonous drugs. By its cooling
properties it allays the itching and fever of the
scalp, which is the great cause of people losing
their hair.

Mr. MOORE has succeeded in being able to
put this wash up in bottles without allowing it to
ferment, and he will guarantee it to keep any
length of time in any climate.

FOR SALE ONLY BY MOORE & Co.,
VARIETY STORE,

Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1883. [93]

J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE AND
PORTER.

DAVID CORSAR & SONS'

MERCHANT NAVY

NAVY BOILED

LONG FLAX

CROWN

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [458]

J. M. GUEDES.

HOUSE AND LAND BROKER,
AUCTIONEER AND COMMISSION
AGENT.

No. 33, WELLINGTON STREET, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [5]

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D'AGUILAR STREET.

EVERY KIND OF WORK EXECUTED WITH
ACCURACY, NEATNESS, AND DESPATCH
ON

VERY MODERATE TERMS.

SELECTED MATERIALS FOR
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Book-binding and Ruling in every style executed
at low rates. Workmanship Guaranteed.

Hongkong, 23rd August, 1882. [14]

F. D. GUEDES.

WINE MERCHANT AND GENERAL
COMMISSION AGENT.

No. 5, D'AGUILAR STREET.

HAS always on hand a large assortment of
CHOICE WINES of the best quality, at
Moderate Prices.

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1882. [663]

G. FALCONER & CO.

WATCH AND CHRONOMETER

MANUFACTURERS

AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
CHARTS AND BOOKS.

No. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Intimations.

W. BREWER.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING
NEW AND IMPORTANT BOOKS.

Seeborn's Siberia in Asia.
Ledger's The Sun and its Planets.
Prof. Seeley's Natural Religion.
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Ruff's Guide to the Turf.
Famous Racing Men.
Mongredien's Wealth Creation.
Williams' Science in Short Chapters.
Turner's Studies in Russian Literature.
Hudson's Scamper through America.

JUVENILE BOOKS IN GREAT VARIETY.

PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS FOR CABINETS ONLY.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1883. [703]

KELLY & WALSH

HAVE JUST RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING
NEW MUSIC.

Au Printemps Valse.....Waldteufel.
Le Secret d'Amour Valse.....C. de Kontski.
Waltz.....Bucalossi.
Valse Vénitienne.....Waldteufel.
Bridal Procession March (Duet).....Werner.
La Barcarole Valse.....Waldteufel.
South American Airs (Duet).....White.
Down Stream Waltzes.....Wells Henry.

S O N G S.

Sprung a Leak.....Stephen Adams.
Quaker Cousins.....Molloy.
Is my Lover on the Sea.....Molloy.
Cricket on the Heath.....Molloy.
The Last Good Bye.....Smith.
Behind the Clouds.....Coward.
Dear Face.....Goodeve.

Popular Duets for Violin and Piano.

Popular Solos for Violin.

HENRY'S, HAMILTON'S, FARMER'S, AND OTHER TUTORS FOR THE PIANO.

NETZLER'S INSTRUCTION BOOK FOR AMERICAN ORGAN.

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SINGING LESSONS AND TUTORS.

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BRINSMEAD'S OBLONG GRAND PIANO

(LATELY USED BY THE ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY AT THEIR PERFORMANCES.)

IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

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Terms may be had on Application.

MUSICAL WONDER OF THE AGE

THE AUTOPHONE

THE FINEST AND CHEAPEST AUTOMATIC MUSICAL INSTRUMENT EVER OFFERED.

PRICE WITH SIX PIECES OF MUSIC \$5.00.

KELLY & WALSH—HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1883. [559]

"NOVELTY STORE."

MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.

JUST RECEIVED.

THE FOLLOWING MUSIC EX STEAMSHIP

"GLENEAGLES."

Les Sirenes—Valse, by E. Waldteufel.

My Queen—Valse, by E. Waldteufel.

Messenger of Love—Valse, by C. Coote Jr.

Dolores Valse—by E. Waldteufel.

Officers' Valse—by C. Coote Jr.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING ROYAL EDITIONS OF OPERAS, WITH VOCAL AND

PIANOFORTE SCORES, IN ENGLISH AND ITALIAN.

Lucia di Lammermoor—by Donizetti.

Don Pasquale—by Donizetti.

Lucrezia Borgia—by Donizetti.

L'Elisir d'Amore—by Donizetti.

La Favorita—by Donizetti.

Masaniello—by Auber.

La Sonnambula—by Bellini.

Norma—by Bellini.

Il Barbiere—by Rossini.

I Puritani—by Bellini.

Le Premier Pas—Polka, by C. Coote Jr.

Tryal by Jury—by A. Sullivan.

H.M.S. Pinafore—by A. Sullivan.

Ever of Thee—Song, by Foley Hall.

Lucia di Lammermoor—by Donizetti.

Don Pasquale—by Donizetti.

Lucrezia Borgia—by Donizetti.

L'Elisir d'Amore—by Donizetti.

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Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 4 per cent., being \$5
per SHARE, for the six months ending
30th December last, declared at TO-DAY'S
Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting will be Payable
at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION on and after FRIDAY NEXT
the 9th inst., and Shareholders are requested to
apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's
Office No. 14, Praya Central, Hongkong.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1883. [187]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are
requested to send in a Statement of Just-
ness Contributed during the half year ended
December 31st, 1882, on or before March 31st,
on which date the accounts will be closed.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1883. [188]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
MEMBERS OF THE HONGKONG GENERAL
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held at the
CITY HALL, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th March,
1883, at 1.30 P.M.

By Order,
E. GEORGE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1883. [184]

THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that under the
Provisions of the Articles of Association of
the Society, an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING
OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the
Office of the Society, Peddar's Wharf, Victoria,
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 17th day of
March, 1883, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, when the
subjoined Special Resolution which was passed
at the EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Society held on SATURDAY,
the 3rd day of March, 1883, will be submitted
for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

SPECIAL RESOLUTION.

That the Regulations of the Society shall be
altered, by the existing Articles of Association of
the Society, numbered from 1 to 165 inclusive,
being cancelled and expunged from amongst the
Regulations of the Society, and that the Articles
of Association, numbered from 1 to 165 inclusive,
shall be adopted and become, and be the Re-
gulations of the Society from and after the 17th
day of March A.D. 1883, in lieu of and to the
exclusion of all Deeds of Settlement, Articles of
Association, Resolutions, Bye-laws or other Re-
gulations whatsoever, now or heretofore, in any
way binding or obligatory upon the said Society
or Shareholders thereof.

By Order of the Board,
DOUGLAS JONES,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1883. [174]

NOTICE.

WITH reference to the Advertisement (No.
464) Signed "Mrs. H. E. FALCONER"
in the "DAILY PRESS" of the 5th instant, we are
instructed by Mr. MATTHEW FALCONER,
of the FIRM of Messrs. GEO. B. FALCONER
& Co., to state that Mrs. H. E. FALCONER has
NOT PURCHASED THE INTEREST of the
Widow of the late MATTHEW FALCONER in
the said FIRM, and that Mrs. H. E. FALCONER
has NO INTEREST whatever in the FIRM of
GEO. B. FALCONER & Co., Watchmakers and
Jewellers, Hongkong.

BRERETON, WOTTON, & DEACON,
35, Queen's Road,
Hongkong.

6th March, 1883. [181]

FOR SALE CHEAP.

SEVERAL GOOD PONIES, suitable for
Hacks, Carriage Ponies or Jumpers.

Apply to

R. FRASER-SMITH,
Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1883.

PROFESSOR HASELMAYER AT THE CITY HALL.

Professor Haselmayer gave another exhibition of magic, mystery, and music at the City Hall on Saturday evening before a large and appreciative audience. The Professor had given a performance in the afternoon, mainly for the benefit of the rising generation, but owing to the counter attractions of the sports and the glorious weather, the attendance was not so large as otherwise would have been the case. We hope Mr. Haselmayer will see fit to give the schoolboys another opportunity of seeing him perform previous to his leaving the colony, as it seldom falls to their lot to get such a treat as the Professor serves out for the fifty cents charged for admission. The tricks on Saturday night were all novelties with the exception of the "miser's dream," which Herr Haselmayer repeated by special request. The repetition was a great success, the money catching business being received with much applause. The whole of the performance was rendered capitally, changing the gold watch into an apple while standing in the middle of the audience being one of the most delicate pieces of sleight of hand we have ever witnessed. We are unable to give a full account of the various tricks performed and can only advise those who have not already seen Herr Haselmayer to hurry up and lose no time in paying his entertainment a visit. The Professor intimated that Madame Haselmayer would make her first appearance at his next entertainment, to be given to-morrow evening, and also that "Psycho" the automaton whist player would make his bow before the Hongkong public and play a game of whist with three gentlemen selected from the audience.

The following description from the *Sydney Morning Herald* will give some idea of the automaton and how it works:—

"Psycho," Professor Haselmayer's automaton whist player, is a puzzle to everybody, for though perhaps one in a thousand of those who may witness the performance of the machine, will recognise the motive principle of it, even he will be at a loss to see how the power is applied. "Psycho," who should by his features be of Tartar origin, is a gaily dressed figure, some 2 feet high, sitting cross-legged on a square pedestal, perhaps 18 inches by 18 inches by 12 inches. This is perforated to admit the hand of any unbeliever who may imagine that some living thing is concealed there. A large hollow glass tube, 2 feet high, supports this, and isolates it from a three-legged pedestal resting on the stage carpet. With his left hand Psycho holds a tiny hammer, with which, when he is ready to play, he signs by beating a little bell. In a semicircular frame at his right are ranged his cards, and as the three gentlemen who may be his opponents play, Psycho bends his head, stretches out his right hand, draws forth a card and holds it up while the Professor plays it for him. "Psycho's" controlling spirit plays well, and at a private performance given before some of the Press men of Sydney, the automaton and his chance partner proved victorious. It is pretty widely known that another Psycho—that of Messrs. Maskeyne and Cook—has amused the London world for a couple of years now, and by all accounts this original is quite equalled by Professor Haselmayer's.

NEWS BY THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritime Co.'s steamer *Nadi*, Capt. Lequer, with the London mail of the 2nd ult., arrived in harbour early yesterday morning. We take the following telegrams from our Indian files:—

LONDON, February 10th.
Thirteen men charged with complicity in the Phoenix Park murders are now in custody. Kavanagh, who was the driver of the car, has been turned informer. He deposes that he drove Brady, Kelly, Patrick Delany, and another man, name unknown, to the scene of the crime. James Carey, a number of others driven in a car driven by one of the prisoners, Fitzharris by name. Carey signalled the approach of the victims. After the murder the assassins jumped back into their cars, and drove off at a gallop.
Brady paid Kavanagh £3 for a set of harness, and Kavanagh drove Brady, Daniel Delaney, Kelly, and Hanlon to the scene of the attack. Field, another witness, saw one assassin linger in Phoenix Park, and inflict several final stabs on the prostrate victims.
The prisoners are greatly depressed.

17th February.
Mr. Cross, replying to a question in the Commons, said that the Governor of Madras had ceased to give Government advertisements to a newspaper which published a confidential memorandum belonging to Government. He had no reason to believe that this had been systematically done to influence the press of India.
The Conservatives offering obstruction to Lord Harrington's affirmation bill, its introduction was postponed till Monday.

Further diplomatic correspondence regarding Egypt has been published. On December 29th, Lord Granville claimed payment for British occupation since September 30th. The maximum cost was fixed at £720,000, the first half-yearly instalment is made payable on March 31st.

February 18th.
The prisoner James Carey has turned informer. He believed the Land League furnished a murder fund. He himself gave the signals for the attack in Phoenix Park when seven of the prisoners now being tried pronounced upon the victims. A mysterious person known as "number one" directed the Assassination Committee.

February 19th.
Sheridan, who negotiated the Kilmainham treaty, is implicated in the Dublin Assassination Organisation.

February 20th.
A long and animated discussion took place last evening relating to the amendment to the Address by Mr. Gorst, member for Chatham, deprecating further concessions to lawless agitation in Ireland with the view of purchasing the support of the disloyal in that country.

The silence of Irish members in the face of the recent disclosures in Dublin is causing surprise.

February 21st.
In the House of Commons last night, Messrs. O'Brien and O'Donnell, bitterly attacked the policy of the Government in Ireland and said the outrages were the result of the Coercion Act.

February 22nd.
Sir Arthur Hamilton Gordon has been appointed Governor of Ceylon.

February 23rd.
Mr. Forster made a speech in the House of Commons last night, showing Mr. Parnell's responsibility for the outrages in Ireland which his friends in Dublin had committed. Mr. O'Kelly shouting out it was a lie, was subdued.

Lord Harrington, pointing out the necessity of allowing Mr. Parnell to speak in reply to Mr. Forster's remarks, the debate on the Address was adjourned until to-day.

PARIS, February 18th.

M. Jules Ferry has been changed with the formation of a new ministry.

February 19th.
The Senate have rejected the bill passed by the Chamber of Deputies for banishing without trial Princes attempting to subvert the institutions of the country.

February 21st.
The New French Ministry has M. Ferry as President of Council of Ministers and Minister of Education, M. Chaplemler for Foreign Affairs; M. Brun, Marine; M. Combes Rousseau, Interior; M. Tirard, Finance; M. Herisson, Commerce; M. Thebaudin, War.

Mr. Ferry proposed that President Grevy should issue a decree that Princes serving in the French army be placed on the retired list.

February 22nd.
Mr. Ferry's programme published to-day deprives Princes of their posts and announces the introduction of a bill making it a seditious movement to issue placards, it being necessary to put an end to irritating questions.

CAIRO, February 12th.
The town of Elbeid has fallen into the hands of the Mahdi, amongst whose followers discussion exist. Khartoum is safe.

CAIRO, February 18th.
Five of the Bedouins charged with the murder of Professor Palmer and his party have been sentenced to death; eight to various terms of imprisonment, and five others will be executed when caught.

ROME, February 20th.
An Italian ironclad has gone to Tripoli to protect Italian subjects, in consequence of an insult lately offered to the Italian Consulate there, for which the Italian Government demanded redress from the Porte.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 21st.
The Porte has ordered the Governor of Tripoli to make reparation for the insult offered to the Italian Consulate.

HOME NEWS.

We take the subjoined items of general news from the *London and China Express* of February 2nd:—

The Marquis Tseng, Chinese Minister, and Dr. Macartney, C.M.G., Secretary of the Legation, are expected to leave Paris about the 17th inst., and return to the Legation here.

A grant of £200 has been made to the Rev. J. C. Hoare to complete the building fund of the Ningpo College, towards which Mr. Hoare's friends had raised a total sum of nearly £3,000.

There is nothing further of a definite nature to report on the negotiations for the revision of the Treaty with Japan, the clauses that were taken ad referendum at the Conference in Tokio being under consideration.

A grant of £600 per month has been made to Dr. Neis, payable from the colonial funds of Coochin China, during the time that he continues his explorations in the Upper Mekong River, and the Empire of Annam.

The *Austria*, a large Italian steamer, has gone ashore on the Tripolitan coast during a heavy gale, and has become a total wreck. The master and nineteen of the crew perished, but the remainder of the crew and the passengers were saved.

A new and powerful field-gun, designed to supersede the 16-pounder as the weapon of the Field Artillery, has been proved at the butts in the Government marshes adjoining the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, and passed a satisfactory trial. The new gun weighs the same as the 16-pounder, namely 12cwts., but is a breech-loader, and like all the modern guns has an elongated chase or barrel.

H.E. Ito Hirobumi is still in Berlin, and his arrival in this country has been again postponed. As the duration of his visit to Europe was only supposed to be eight months, H.E. will have to arrive in England not later than March to be able to spend any time here. It is evidently H.E.'s desire to study one constitution thoroughly rather than have a slight knowledge of each, and the form of constitution in Germany is certainly that most suited to the requirements of Japan.

In his annual report, Captain Shaw, Chief of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, states that the number of calls for fires, or supposed fires, received during the year had been 2,341. Of that number 254 were false alarms, 161 proved to be only chimney alarms, and 1,926 were calls for fires, of which 176 resulted in serious damage, and 1,750 in slight damage. The fires of 1882, compared with those of 1881, showed a decrease of 65; and compared with the average of the last ten years, an increase of 272.

At All Saints' Church, Newmarket, on the 31st ult., Fred Archer, the well-known jockey, was married to Miss Nellie Dawson, eldest daughter of Mr. John Dawson, of Warren-house. The day was fine and bright, and an immense concourse of people poured into the town from the adjacent countryside. A large wedding party assembled to do honour to the occasion, and the bride was attended by six bridesmaids, while the bridegroom had the same number of supporters. The church was densely crowded, and a general holiday seemed to be observed in the town.

Some time since we noticed that the examination for the Chinese Scholarship at the Oxford University was to be shortly held. The Vice-Chancellor has now announced that the examiners for the same have reported that they have examined the papers of Mr. C. C. Brown, the only candidate for the Davis Chinese Scholarship, and that although the papers were remarkably good for the short time he has been studying Chinese, they do not consider them worthy of the Scholarship. The report is signed by Professor Legge and Mr. J. M. Chamberlain. Mr. Brown has been awarded by the examiners an exhibition from the Scholarship funds of £50 for twelve months.

Mr. W. H. Brereton is about to publish, through Messrs. Allen and Co., in a cheap and popular form, a revised and amplified edition of his book on the Opium Question, which attracted much attention last spring, and which was very favourably received by most of the principal London papers. Mr. Brereton's efforts to bring the plain facts home to the British public have been very successful. Effective as Mr. Brereton's first edition proved to be, his second will, we understand, deal the Anti-Opium Society a still more crushing blow. Even in less than twelve months fresh evidence of an important character has been furnished on the subject. What Mr. Donald Spence, one of our Consuls in China, says in support of the late Captain Gill, Mr. Colborne Baber, and many others, Mr. Brereton has the credit of showing was asserted twenty-five years ago by the Spanish Ambassador at Peking, who was also an accomplished Chinese scholar. If it were only for the testimony of Don Silbaldo de Mas, Mr. Brereton's "Truth about Opium" would be interesting; but its merit consists in its being one of the most exhaustive accounts of the purchase, production, and consumption of opium by the inhabitants of China.

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STATE REGULATION OF VICE IN HONGKONG.

Sir George Bowen, G. C. M. G., the new Governor of Hongkong, received on the 1st inst. a deputation representing thirty organisations in England, Scotland, and Ireland, for the repeal of the Contagious Diseases Acts and also the British and Continental Confederation for the Abolition of State Regulation of Vice throughout the World, at the Westminster Palace Hotel.

The deputation was introduced by Mr. Henry Richard, M. P., who complained of the character of the regulations of Hongkong.

Mr. Shaen then presented a memorial which pointed out all the abuses arising from licensed vice in the colony of Hongkong, including the employment of paid informers supplied with money from the Secret Service Fund in order to entrap women into acts of immorality.

Sir George Bowen, in reply, said it would not be proper in him to express or even to form any decided opinion respecting any of the numerous grave, and complicated questions affecting the colony of Hongkong till he had fully examined them on the spot; but they might rely upon his using all the authority and influence of his office and his long and varied experience in Colonial administration to promote by every means in his power the social and moral as well as the material welfare of the community of Hongkong.

They must, however, bear in mind that Hongkong was a Crown colony—that it enjoyed no privileges of local self-government such as were enjoyed by Australia, and Canada, and that the administration of its affairs was virtually directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies in England. He was authorised to inform the deputation that the Colonial Government had sent home the draft of an amending ordinance, which was now under the consideration of the Secretary of State. Steps had further been taken by the local authorities. The Chinese Society had reported "that since the adoption of the new system the number of young women inveigled into the colony or procured for immoral purposes has gradually decreased." He had further ascertained that the Colonial-office that prosecutions had been successfully instituted against offenders; and it was found that the regulations now in force when worked with vigour and discretion, and as they appeared to be worked at present by the local authorities, were capable of being turned to good account for securing the liberty of the Chinese women, and for preventing the grave evils and abuses against which they were directed.

The deputation then retired.—*L. & C. Express.*

RUSSIA AND CHINA.

The *Gazette of Siberia* gives a very unfavourable account of the state of Russian trade with the Chinese in Kuljia. The influx of Russian traders into the Chinese province after the Kuljia settlement, and their extraction of a large amount of Chinese silver, induced the Celestial authorities to pay their troops and officials in paper credit notes, which the Russians were to receive in exchange for their wares, and to be allowed to discount afterwards, at a rate fixed by the Chinese. The Russians, however, are now unable to obtain silver for these notes, and are making complaints to their Consuls. Obstacles are also being put in the way of Russian commerce with Chinese towns at a distance from the frontier. The St. Petersburg correspondent of *The Times* says:—

A leading article in the *Globe* calls attention to the continued state of disturbance on the Kuljia frontier, caused by the arbitrary action of Chinese officials towards Russian subjects, and the non-fulfilment of the stipulations of the recent treaty. Russian merchants complain that they are still not allowed to pass with their goods into the interior of the Chinese provinces, on the ground that all the provisions of the treaty have not yet been carried out by Russia. The Chinese also, under various pretexts, capture influential Russians who have passed under Russian allegiance, and execute them, in spite of demands for their immediate surrender on the part of the Russians. Furthermore, the Celestial officials raise disputes with the Russian frontier authorities; and with such flimsy excuses as they have received no instructions from Peking place all sorts of obstacles and difficulties in the way of the Russians and Tarantchies, who are transferring their establishments to Russian territory. The *Globe* thinks it high time that the Russian Consuls who have just taken up their numerous posts in the Chinese provinces of the new frontier should take energetic and decisive steps to enforce the proper respect due to the name of Russia. The Russian Government certainly has a right to demand from China the establishment of order and tranquillity on the border land, and free and unobstructed access for Russian commerce according to the treaty.

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